

Well hello and Happy New Year! As a staff, we are so looking forward to welcoming you to NCS, whether it's a welcome back or a welcome for the first time, we are so excited to be together again for a new year of learning.

We can't wait to hear about all the adventures and fun that has been going on during the holidays. I, for one, have had a wonderful stay-cation, pottering around at home, catching up with friends and going on adventures around this beautiful island that we have the privilege to call home.

As always, I seek God for a word or theme for the year for school. This year, the phrase is 'No Limits'. God has been leading me through just some parts of the Bible where He reminds us that while many things are impossible for us humans, with God, all things are possible.

This has led me to consider people like Helen Keller and Nick Vujicic who were/are not limited by their physical challenges. God has also been reminding me of people like my friend Mike who, not in spite of but because of his dyslexia, perceives things in a unique way, giving him a perspective that has enabled him to unpack the Bible and disciple thousands of people, write over 20 books and lead a world-wide missional movement.

Maybe it's just me, but if we're honest, I suspect we all tend to allow ourselves to be limited in different ways, it may be seeing who we're not rather than who we are, looking at what we can't do rather than what we can, or allowing labels from others to define what we think we can or cannot be.

I am excited for us to unpack this theme together and to hear the testimonies that will surely come through the year as God breaks off our limitations, doing things we thought impossible and increasing our faith in him, both individually and as a community. Surely, that is good news!

Enjoy the final days of the holidays and I'll see you at the gate on Wednesday.

Blessings

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Term 1 Wed 3rd Feb - Fri 9th April

Easter Break: Fri 2nd - Tue 6th Apr

Term 2: Tues 27th Apr- Fri 2nd July

Term 3: Mon 26th July - Fri 24th Sep

Term 4: Tues 12th Oct - Fri 17th Dec

Welcome back to a new year at Newstead Christian School. We trust you have had a wonderful holiday break and are refreshed ready for all 2021 has to offer.

Our Newsletters and SkoolBag app contain an abundance of important information and keep parents informed of upcoming events, activities, and initiatives. You can subscribe to your child/children's class group on the Skoolbag App.

Updating of contact details

Please inform the office if any contact details have changed.

School Uniform Shop

If you require any uniform items before the beginning of Term the uniform shop will be open Tuesday 2nd February, 9 am - 2 pm.

From 2021, girls are permitted to wear a choice of dress/skirt or grey pants/shorts. The shorts and pants that they can wear are tailored, smart, and can be purchased from Midford's uniform shop at 132 Charles Street. They are to be worn with the usual white cotton shirt and the red school jumper.

School Office Hours

From Wednesday 3 February 2021, our School Office is open 8:30 am to 3:30 pm Monday to Friday. You can contact the school office during these hours via phone 6331 1922 / 0466 108 298 or email office@ncs.tas.edu.au

Parent Information Evening and BBQ - Friday 5th February

All parents are invited and strongly encouraged to attend our Parent Information Evening. This is an opportunity to connect with teachers, as well as meet our new staff members and hear their hearts and plans for the year as well as a chance to reconnect with other families. BBQ will start at 5 pm and presentations at 5:45 pm. Children welcome.

Please RSVP to the school office by using EFORM on the school bag app or email office@ncs.tas.edu.au

Attendance

Is your child feeling sick? Please keep them home.

Let the office know if your child/ren will be off school due to illness or another reason. You can do this by using the Skoolbag app, emailing, texting, or calling the school before 9:30 am. Thank you.

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Senior students who arrive after 9 am & junior students who arrive after 9:10 am need to be signed in at the office.